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## **MEDICAID BULLETIN**

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# Update to Reimbursement for Ambulatory Surgical Centers; Implementation of a New Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Group Grouper Version, New Weights and Base Rate, for Claims Payment, Effective July 1, 2019

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform Ambulatory Surgical Center providers of the implementation of an updated Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Group (EAPG) grouper version with new weights and statewide base rate for claims payments with dates of service on or after July 1, 2019. DMAS began reimbursing Ambulatory Surgical Centers (ASCs) in accordance with the EAPG reimbursement methodology on claims with dates of service beginning April 5, 2010 (See the March 4, 2010 Medicaid Memorandum entitled, "Enhanced Ambulatory Patient Group (EAPG) for Ambulatory Surgical Centers)."

DMAS is updating the grouper version with new weights and statewide base rate for the EAPG ambulatory surgical services reimbursement methodology. DMAS will be implementing version 3.13 of the EAPG ambulatory surgical services grouper as well as version 3.13 of the national weights developed by 3M. The new statewide base rate of \$203.69 should result in total expenditures that are budget neutral to (or the same as) total current expenditures. The new EAPG weights and base rates will be effective for claims with dates of service on or after July 1, 2019.

The EAPG ASC weights and the statewide base rate are available on the DMAS web site at <a href="https://www.dmas.virginia.gov">www.dmas.virginia.gov</a>. Click the following links: For Providers, Information for Providers, Rate Setting Information, Ambulatory Surgical Center (located under the Hospital ribbon). To contact 3M for more information about EAPG software, please call 800-367-2447 or use the following link: <a href="https://www.3MHIS.com">www.3MHIS.com</a>.

#### **Medicaid Expansion**

New adult coverage begins January 1, 2019. Providers will use the same web portal and enrollment verification processes in place today to verify Medicaid expansion coverage. In ARS, individuals eligible in the Medicaid expansion covered group will be shown as "MEDICAID EXP." If the individual is enrolled in managed care, the "MEDICAID EXP" segment will be shown as well as the managed care segment, "MED4" (Medallion 4.0), or "CCCP" (CCC Plus). Additional Medicaid expansion resources for providers can be found on the DMAS Medicaid Expansion webpage at: <a href="http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/medex">http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/medex</a>.

#### **PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION & RESOURCES**

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Virginia Medicaid Web Portal Automated Response System (ARS) Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.	www.virginiamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov
Medicall (Audio Response System) Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.	1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996
<b>KEPRO</b> Service authorization information for feeforservice members.	https://dmas.kepro.com/
Care for the Elderly (PACE). In order to be re	Care Plus (CCC Plus), and Program of All-Inclusive eimbursed for services provided to a managed care eir respective contract with the managed care

plan/PACE provider. The managed care plan may utilize different guidelines than those described for Medicaid fee-for-service individuals.

Medallion 4.0	http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/med4
CCC Plus	http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/cccplus
PACE	http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/longtermprograms
Magellan Behavioral Health Behavioral Health Services Administrator, check eligibility, claim status, service limits, and service authorizations for fee- for-service members.	www.MagellanHealth.com/Provider For credentialing and behavioral health service information, visit: www.magellanofvirginia.com, email:  VAProviderQuestions@MagellanHealth.com, or call: 1-800-424-4046
<b>Provider HELPLINE</b> Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m5:00 p.m. For provider use only, have Medicaid Provider ID Number available.	1-804-786-6273 1-800-552-8627